AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace the claims with the following revised version:

1. (Currently Amended) ~~Process for acceptance~~A method for collection of coins in automatic payment transactions, the method comprising:

~~leading the coins to~~providing at least one pair of rollers for separation of the coins regardless of their value, the rollers being spaced so that so that a space between the rollers is larger than a thickness of a thickest of the coins but smaller than twice a thickness of a smallest of the coins;

rotating the rollers in a same direction;

conveying the coins to the at least one pair of rollers; and

conveying the separated coins away from said pair of rollers so they can be further processed.

2. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ Method according to claim 1, wherein the rollers are rotated at the same rotational speed.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ Method according to claim 1, wherein the pair of rollers is rotated ~~as a function of~~in response to the coin supply.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ Method according to claim 1, wherein the coins are collected in a container.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ Method according to claim 1, wherein the coins are conveyed in series from the pair of rollers to a ~~further~~ processing device.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ Method according to claim 6, wherein the coins ~~are passed by~~ skip the ~~further~~ processing device through a bypass connected to a coin insertion ~~slot~~.

8. (Currently Amended) ~~Process~~ Method according to claim 1, wherein the coins ~~are passed by~~skip the pair of rollers through a bypass connected to a coin insertion slot.

9. (Currently Amended) Device for acceptance of coins in automatic payment transactions, comprising:

a pair of rollers configured to separate the coins regardless of their value, wherein each rollers is configured to be rotated in ~~the~~ a same direction, the rollers being spaced from each other so that a space between the rollers is larger than a thickness of a thickest of the coins but smaller than twice a thickness of a smallest of the coins; ~~and~~

a means of transportation through which the coins are supplied to the pair of rollers; and

another slanted plane for conveying the coins away from said pair of rollers after having passed said pair of rollers.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 9, wherein the means of transportation comprises a slanted plane.

12. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 9, further comprising a ~~further~~ processing device.

13. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 12, further comprising a bypass to circumvent the ~~further~~ processing device.

14. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 9, further comprising a coin slot that can be locked.

15. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 14, wherein the coin insertion slot is constructed funnel-like.

16. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 14, wherein the coin insertion slot has an area for individual insertion of coins.

17. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein the individual coin insertion area can be blocked and released.

18. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 16, wherein the individual coin insertion area is connected with a bypass to circumvent the pair of rollers.

19. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 9, further comprising a sensor for recognizing a coin insertion.

20. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 12, wherein the means of transportation is located between the pair of rollers and the ~~further~~ processing device.

21. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 9, wherein the means of transportation is a slanted plane.

22. (Previously Presented) Device according to claim 9, further comprising a removable and/or pivotal cover located in an area of the means of transportation .

23. (Currently Amended) Device according to claim 9, wherein a sensor is located in an area of the means of transportation for ~~capturing~~ detecting contaminants.